Grasshopper made from polystyrene balls

Instructions No. 3261

Difficulty: Beginner

Working time: 3 Hours

Looking for an exciting craft project for children? Then our grasshopper is just the thing! These instructions guide little artists step-by-step through the crafting process to create their own fun grasshopper. Whether on a rainy afternoon or as a family project at the weekend - this crafting adventure encourages creativity and is lots of fun.



Start by transferring the templates for the grasshopper onto the craft cardboard sheet. Carefully cut out all the parts.

Then shape the craft cardboard sheet into a cone that will serve as the body of the grasshopper. Template E is for the body of the large grasshopper and template F for the small one. Make sure to fix the glued edge well and allow everything to dry thoroughly so that your cone is stable. Now it's time to add some colour!

Paint the polystyrene ball a fresh may green colour. As the colour should cover well, several coats are required. Allow each coat to dry well before applying the next one.

Apply glue to the edge of the cone and attach the polystyrene ball there as the grasshopper's head. Once this is dry, stick the eyes on and paint a cheerful face on the ball. Let your imagination run wild with the design!

Now glue the angel wings onto the body. Template A is for the big grasshopper's angel wings and template B for the little one. Before you attach them, form a slight curve in the angel wings with your finger to give them more plasticity and dynamism.

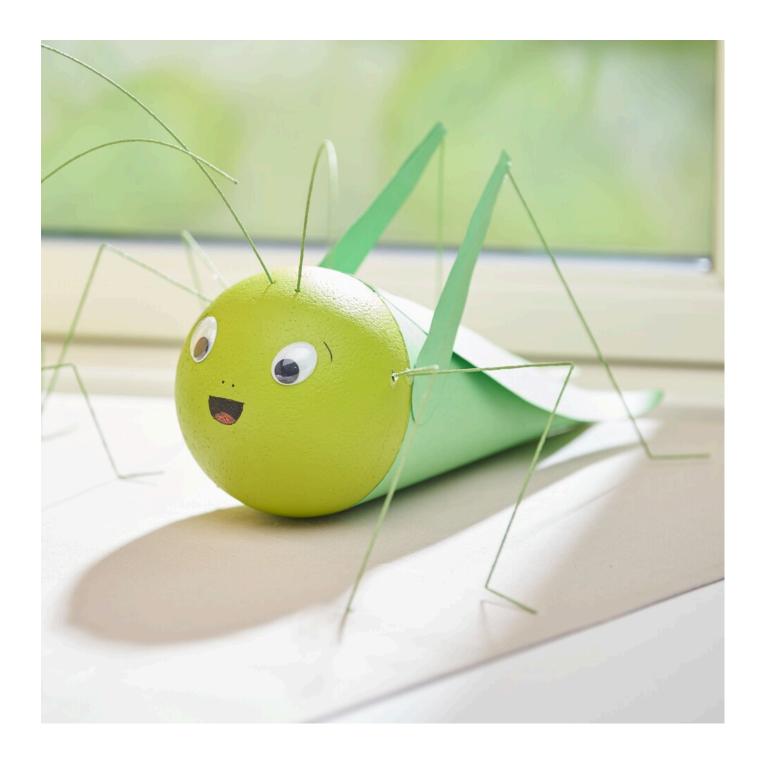
Now create the antennae using florist's wire. Cut the wire in half and plug it into the polystyrene ball.

The hind legs are different lengths: about 23 cm for the small grasshopper and 27 cm for the large one. Use pliers to bend the wire into the right shape.

Plug the upper half into two prepared thighs (template C for the big one and template D for the small one) made of craft cardboard sheet and glue them to the side of the body.

For the four front legs of the little grasshopper, cut a wire into quarters, bend it into shape and stick it into the side of the head. For the large grasshopper, the wire is divided.

Was this craft lesson inspiring? Let's go - bring your creative spirit to life and design your own grasshopper now!



Must Have





Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
600200	Polystyrene ball, Ø 10 cm	1
600194	VBS Polystyrene ball, Ø 8 cm	1
706681-51	Craft cardboard sheetLight green	1
19741	Floral wire, green	1
560085-11	VBS Craft paint, 50 mlMay Green	1
620635	VBS Wobbly eyes to glue on "Oval", 20 mm, 20 pieces	1
18156	VBS Craft glue No. 18285 ml	1
970014	VBS Assortment of pliers, set of 3	1
761093	Fineliners Pens "Nano-Liner", set of 4	1
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